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In re Application of:

Miri Seiberg, et al.

Serial No. 09/698,454

Art Unit: 1616

Examiner: Marina Lamm

Attorney Docket No.: JBP 518

SOY DEPIGMENTING AND SKIN
CARE COMPOSITIONS

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Sir:

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

In response to the Office Action mailed on January 22, 2003, please consider the following amendments and remarks. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and allowance of the application.

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inflammatory skin diseases, and therefore it would not be obvious to use Voegeli for non-inflammatory skin problems. Additionally, Costanzo has been removed as a piece of prior art, and Voegeli does not teach each and every claim element so the present claim is non-obvious. Applicant respectfully submits that this rejection has been overcome.

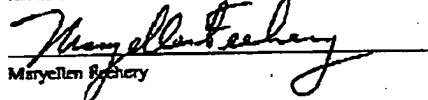
CONCLUSION

Applicant respectfully asserts that the application is in condition for allowance. Reconsideration and the issuance of a Notice of Allowance are requested. If the Examiner has any outstanding issues, the courtesy of a phonecall is requested.

Authorization of Deposit Account

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account 18-0586. This authorization also hereby includes a request for any extensions of time of the appropriate length required upon the filing of any reply during the entire prosecution of this application.

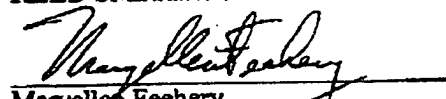
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